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William C. Foster
Deputy Administrator, NSA
800 Connecticut Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Foster,

As you know, the furnishing of information by NSA to the Central Intelligence Agency contributes materially to the production of effective and timely national intelligence. I am informed that this NSA contribution at present does not include certain cables of very limited distribution within NSA, and doubtless quite properly so in most instances.

It appears possible, however, that some of these cables would be of value to CIA and could, on the basis of responsible judgment within the NSA, be properly furnished to CIA.

Accordingly, at the verbal suggestion of Mr. Gordon Redford to one of my representatives, I take this means of asking you to investigate the practicality of furnishing CIA such of the limited distribution cables as it is believed can contribute to the national intelligence effort.

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If you concur with this proposal, I shall designate of CIA's Office of Reports and Estimates to be the recipient of these cables and will insure appropriately limited access to them within CIA.

With personal good wishes,

Sincerely,

Roscoe H. Hillenkoetter
Rear Admiral, USN

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